

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This paper is submitted responsive to the Official Action of May 12, 2004. In the aforesaid action, the Examiner allowed all claims, and closed prosecution on the merits under *Exparte Quayle*.

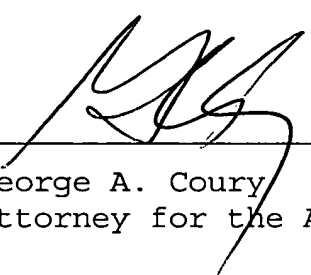
The Examiner had objected to the Abstract and certain language in claims 4 and 5 of the claims. A new Abstract has been submitted herewith and claims 4 and 5 have been amended to address the Examiner's concerns. Thus, it is submitted that all issues raised in the *quayle* action have been resolved.

A formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this paper. If, however, any fee is due, please charge same to deposit acct no. 02-0184.

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